

Approves \$90 Million Budget

SBC Executive Committee Supports Agency Decision

By Don McGregor

Members of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, during their meeting last week in Nashville, recorded their support of the Annuity Board of the convention in its decision to challenge the application of the Internal Revenue Code by the Internal Revenue Service in such a way as to "deny that the Annuity Board... is a functional arm and component part of the... convention."

The committee expressed alarm, through a resolution, "concerning the attempt by the Internal Revenue Service through its 'integrated auxiliary' regulations to establish and limit the term 'churches,' their integrated auxiliaries, and conventions or associations of churches."

In other actions the committee approved a \$90 million budget for 1980-81 to be submitted to the convention in June for adoption and wrestled for some time with proposed changes in by-laws and the constitution of the convention concerning registration and voting at and membership of the conventions.

The Annuity Board has decided to challenge the IRS ruling because it feels the entire trustee system as Southern Baptists use it could be in jeopardy. President Darold Morgan of the Annuity Board appeared before the Program and Budget subcommittee of the Executive Committee and before the Executive Committee to explain the importance of the action. Denominations which have a hierarchical system of government have no problem with the IRS concept, he said; but the congregational-government denominations such as Baptists run into snags because each agency has a board of trustees and a separate charter. This is necessary because the congregations have no way of controlling

the agencies except through boards, which they elect, he pointed out. The functions of the agencies are the same, whether controlled by a hierarchy or a board, he added.

The resolution pointed out that the Annuity Board serves the churches "as a conduit which enables the congregations... to most effectively carry out one of the essential parts of their respective ministries..." and noted that the funds for the ministries come from "tithes, offerings and other contributions..."

The total Cooperative Program allocation budget endorsed by the Executive Committee for 1980-81 is broken down into three parts. The basic operating budget is \$74.5 million. The capital needs budget is \$2.5 million. These two elements account for \$77 million of the budget. The additional \$13 million is a Bold Mission Thrust Challenge portion, which is broken down into two parts. The first part would bring to a 7 per cent increase over 1979-80 those agencies which would not receive that much of an increase in the basic budget. This amounts to \$79,000. Phase II of the challenge budget, \$12,921,000, would be divided among the two mission boards, the seminaries, the Radio-TV Commission, and the Brotherhood Commission.

Drop In Percentage

Of the basic operating budget of \$74.5 million, the Foreign Mission Board's portion is \$36,059,006, or 48.4 per cent. This is a drop in percentage for the Foreign Mission Board from the 48.69 per cent of the 1979-80 budget. This would be a difference of \$215,042 for the Foreign Mission Board for the year. The actual increase for the board from the \$33,352,658 established in the 1979-80 budget and the \$36,059,006 set up in the 1980-81 budget amounts to \$2.7 million.

per cent. Shortly before the meeting of the Executive Committee the Foreign Mission Board took action protesting the small size of the increase in the annual figure.

The Program and Budget subcommittee, which formulates the budget, took note of the "extraordinary inflationary pressures" that the Foreign Mission Board faces in almost all foreign countries and declared that Bold Mission Thrust was the basic consideration in the formulation. It also noted that the "seminaries are presently more than 10 per cent below the national average per pupil spent by other seminaries of comparable size." The six seminaries together were up 11.21 per cent above the budget allocation for 1979-80. The seminaries' total for next year is \$11,949,669. Other larger amounts in the basic budget are \$14.5 million for the Home Mission

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75 Homes Built On Dominica

A group of men from Broadmoor Baptist Church, Jackson, were part of a volunteer force of more than 80 men from Mississippi who built 75 houses on the island of Dominica, which was wracked by Hurricane David. Chuck Gallagher of Jackson drives the last nail on the floor of one of the houses. The story and additional photos begin on Page 2.

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Baptismal Gain Confirmed In Final Statistical Report

By Jim Lowry

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — Final reports from Southern Baptist churches for the 1978-79 year confirmed the strong gain in baptisms predicted in December's statistical projections, and showed only slight changes from projections in giving

and in some program enrollments.

The projection for baptisms was on target with the actual gain of 9.7 per cent. The gain represents 368,738 baptisms, the highest total since 1976. More than 29,000 Southern Baptist churches reported baptizing at least one person during the year.

The total number of Southern Baptist churches reached 35,805 this year, an increase of 201 and the largest net gain since 1965. Total membership in the convention increased by 1.4 per cent, or 182,094, to 13,379,073.

Total receipts in the Southern Baptist Convention topped \$1 billion for the first time, reaching more than \$1 billion, or an 11.5 per cent increase. Property value reached \$9.8 billion.

Gains and losses in convention programs were mixed, as in the projections, with gains reported only in church music and Brotherhood. Enrollment losses for church training and the Woman's Missionary Union were smaller than predicted while Sunday School enrollment decreased by more than was expected.

The enrollment gain for Brotherhood, the first since 1976, was 0.6 per

cent, or 2,617, making the total enrollment 469,315.

Church music enrollment actually gained more than had been anticipated from projections, posting an increase of 41,061, or 2.9 percent, to reach a total enrollment of 1.44 million.

Final figures showed the church training enrollment loss to be 1.3 percent, or 23,676, bringing the ongoing church training enrollment to just over 1.75 million.

WMU enrollment declined by 0.7 percent, or 8,181, during the church year, making the new enrollment total 1,086,785.

The enrollment loss for Sunday School had been predicted to be 0.1 percent but the final figures reveal a loss of 0.3 percent, representing a decrease of 1,086,785.

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Cannatas Transfer To Sudan, Africa

By Anne McWilliams

Sam and Ginny Cannata left from Dallas, Texas, February 19 for Sudan, Africa, where they have been transferred by the Foreign Mission

Board. They had been in the States on furlough, based in Waco, since last July. He is a medical doctor and a Texan. She is the former Virginia Curry, native of Greenville, Miss. Her father, Ernest Curry, Sr., lives now at Hollandale.

That the Sudan is a country where Southern Baptist missionaries have never been before does not bother the Cannatas, missionaries for 22 years in three African countries. That it will be an isolated spot, and that they will face hardships, they concede. But Ginny said, "If God says go, we go."

While they were stationed in Rhodesia he lost an eye to disease. In Ethiopia during the spring of 1977 he was in prison for 16 days. The two wrote a book about the miraculous occurrences of that time. Truth on Trial was published by Broadman Press.

After they had to leave Ethiopia they were stationed temporarily in Kenya. They waited, hoping to re-enter Ethiopia, but that proved impossible. At their children's school in Kenya, the Cannatas saw slides of the Sudan, shown by Jon Aresen, a Wycliffe translator. Ginny said she immediately felt sure the Sudan was their next place of service. "Several weeks later," she added, "Sam got the vision, too."

Other signs pointed the same way. The Board voted to enter the Sudan. Also, Ginny stated, "Sam thought he would need back surgery while in the States, but the Lord healed his back and the surgery was not necessary."

The house they will live in at Pibor Post on the Pibor River in southern Sudan was built by Presbyterian missionaries who left there in 1972. The house, in a photo the Cannatas saw, appeared to be built of stone, and occupied by bats. The thatched roof was falling in. They were hoping a local man would repair the roof before their arrival, they said.

Though the Sudan is under a Muslim government, most of the Muslims in the country live in the north, and the south has a mixture of Christians and pagans. The Presbyterian church organized by missionaries still exists, but is weak.

In the area there are about 30,000 of

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"Are you ready to go to Africa?" Sam Cannata, medical missionary, asked his wife, Ginny. The two were in the Baptist Building in Jackson the week before they left for the Sudan. Ginny, a native of Mississippi, asked to see a current Baptist Record. "We've moved so much, ours has not caught up with us in ten years!" she said.

Story of Annie Armstrong Has Some Strings Attached

By Debbie Wattier

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — The Annie Armstrong story has strings attached. The strings in the Annie Armstrong

story are the kind you wrap packages with, not the kind that change the facts.

The story is true that Southern Baptists have given more than \$141 million to home missions through the offering initiated by and later named for Miss Armstrong.

The name of Annie Armstrong is associated with the annual home missions offering and week of prayer. She also was instrumental in beginning the denomination's annuity plan and church building fund. Miss Armstrong advocated an early form of inter-agency cooperation as she encouraged communication and teamwork between Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) and the mission boards.

"Miss Annie" was the first corresponding secretary of WMU, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention. Her office was the equivalent of executive director. She served from 1888 to 1906, including 18 years without pay.

Miss Armstrong saved string and paper from packages received at the WMU office in Baltimore, Maryland. She saved the string and paper to mail missions literature, much of which was written by Miss Armstrong, to churches and individuals.

"She found no chore too menial for her willing hands," according to the Annie Armstrong biography by Elizabeth Marshall Evans. "Often she wrapped and tied packages of literature with string which she had saved and frugally wound into balls."

The custom of saving string influenced at least the second generation WMU staff, according to Helen E. Falls, professor of missions at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Helen Falls' first job as a seminary graduate in 1941 placed her with Mrs. Samuel Barnes, "who had known Miss Armstrong (above)."



March 2-9 will be the Week of Prayer for Home Missions, 1980, named for Annie Armstrong (above).

Bicentennial Of Sunday School Work Coming Up

By Bryant Cummings, Director Sunday School Department, MBCCB A "Raikes/Flake Commemoration" will be held in Jackson on May 22 at the City Auditorium from 6:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

One of the features of the 200th Anniversary of Sunday School work will be the projection of reaching Sunday School members, enrolling new people in Mississippi Sunday Schools through 1985.

Baptist pastors, staff, Sunday School leadership and members from across the state are invited to attend this significant meeting.

Featured on the evening program will be a multi-media visual/drama on Robert Raikes, founder of the modern day Sunday School and Arthur Flake, Winona layman and Sunday School Superintendent. Mr. Flake served as Sunday School Superintendent at

Winona from 1896 until 1909. He later served at the Sunday School in Nashville for 27 years. Flake's five-point formula — know the possibilities, enlarge the organization, enlist and train workers, provide the space and go enroll prospects — is still followed today by churches with growth principles.

Among the program personalities will be Grady C. Cothen, president, Sunday School Board, Nashville, Harry M. Piland, director, Sunday School department, Sunday School Board, Nashville, A. V. Washburn, former director, Martha Branham, Dallas, and Charles Endsley, Jackson.

Recognition will be made of long tenure Sunday School officers and teachers, plus Sunday School members and leadership with perfect long time attendance records.

Five Fabulous Sundays Promotion Set For March

By Judd Allen, Consultant, Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Department

A weekly statewide total of new Sunday School enrollees will be printed in the Baptist Record during the month of March.

The Sunday School Department is finalizing arrangements with each association to obtain this information. A responsible person, either the Director of Missions or Associational Sunday School Director will receive reports from the churches no later than Monday morning.

Each association will utilize a reporting plan unique to individual Associational requirements.

This may consist of churches reporting to a central location, the churches being contacted from a central location, or a group plan with one person responsible for collecting no more than ten churches.

A weekly reporting of new enrollees encourage the enrolling of at least one new person in each church on each of the FIVE FABULOUS SUNDAYS IN MARCH.

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Sunday School Projects 10,000 Increase

80 Mississippi Men Build 75 Houses On Dominica

By Don McGregor

Seventy-five new houses have been built on storm-ravaged Dominica in the Caribbean by more than 80 Mississippi Baptist men who finished work on them Feb. 15.

In addition to those 75 houses there were 20 more built by two groups of men from Texas late last year.

The first group of Mississippians to respond to the desperate needs of the island in the West Indies chain, a group from Harrisburg Baptist Church, Tupelo, was on the scene last year almost as soon as supplies were available with which to begin building. Six other groups began moving onto the island early in January, and the final group would wind up the construction efforts this month.

The men went to Dominica in groups of 12 to 14 from churches all over the state. Generally churches furnished transportation costs, either through their budgets or by special offerings. Individuals also contributed to the costs of getting the men to the island to do the building. They took their own tools and food with them. There is very little food on Dominica. Hurricane David in August wiped out the coconut and banana crops, and that devastated the island's economy. There should be another banana crop in another couple of months. It will be years before there is another coconut crop.

Clean Water

Fresh, clean, flowing water is in abundance. There are 365 rivers on the island, which is 29 miles long and 14 miles wide. It is called the Rainbow Island because the lofty mountains cause a great deal of rainfall, and there are many rainbows. Because of the abundance of rain the banana crop is bouncing back rather quickly. Coconuts are much slower growing, however; and that crop will be a long time in returning.

The Dominicans used to say they would never go hungry, for there would always be plenty of bananas and coconuts. They were wrong.

Missionaries have played heroic roles in the effort to relieve the misery of the Dominicans. Don Snell, who had been stationed in Trinidad until early in August, found that the government there was no longer going to allow missionaries to stay longer than four years. To finish his term he moved to Dominica. Perhaps it was providential. He became the construction coordinator.

He learned to build the simple houses in a hurry and was able to provide the coordination that would allow 10 to be built in three days by each crew.

Fred Walker, a study in continual motion, began making the agonizing trip back and forth the length of the island to meet work crews at the airport and provide the means of transportation to the construction sites. The trip from the capital city of Roseau to the airport cannot be more than 30 miles, but it takes 1½ hours. The roads have been reduced to shambles. Paul Harrell, Mississippi Brotherhood director, and I made that four times during the four days we were there during the last week in January. Snell met us at the airport. Then we made the trip twice with Walker to meet a crew and get it situated, and we made it once more as we went back to the airport to depart.

Attention To Details

Betty Walker and Nancy Snell took care of details that needed attention in Roseau. And a young Texas dentist on a special project, John Ross, moved all over the island relieving misery as only he could.

Another of the missionary heroes was Phil Overton, who is stationed on Barbados. Overton gathered up on Barbados the first two boatloads of supplies and delivered them personally by whatever means of marine transportation he could find to get the material to Dominica.

He provided enough material for the first 20 houses. The Foreign Mission Board took up the effort and shipped the material for the remaining 65 houses by boat from Miami.

Paul Harrell and I arrived on Dominica on Sunday afternoon and made the beautiful but tortuous drive to Roseau in time for a meal at the home of the Snell family and to attend church services at Deliverance Baptist Church. We spent Sunday night with the Snells and on Monday got up to have a look at the storm damage in the capital. After five months the scars are still there and will be for some time. The missionaries' homes have new galvanized roofs, but much ceiling tile is still missing. The Snells had no idea they would survive the hurricane when the family was trapped in different areas of the house. They view their survival as miraculous, but they had to move out of the house where they were living.

Every tree on the island was stripped bare of its leaves. The generous rainfall has caused a great deal of re-greening of the island, but many trees are still bare.

Complete Ruin

An Anglican church in the center of Roseau still lies in complete ruin.

Paul Harrell, Fred Walker, and I met a crew from Broadmoor Church, Jackson, at the airport on Monday afternoon and began the long journey to the village of Grand Fond, situated on the side of a mountain. Hoyt Johnson of Holly Springs joined the Broadmoor crew.

We found a gracious reception in the little village of 1,000 people. Conrad Cyrus, the parliamentary representative for the Grand Fond area, told us that 60 per cent of the houses there were completely destroyed and 95 per cent of the population was left without homes. There had already been 10 new houses built there. The villagers, a group of gentle folks, were glad to see the new crew arrive to begin the construction of 10 more. They pitched in to help. Those who couldn't help stood around and watched. There was nothing else to do, and it was the best show in town. With the crops gone there was no work. Just about all of the food is coming from the United States.

Monday night was spent on the concrete floor of an unfinished concrete block house. There were no doors nor windows, but no other house in town had them either. When this house of about 500 square feet is finished it will be among the town's nicest.

Tuesday morning the work began, and by night two houses were completed and the foundation was set for two more. The foundation consists of nine logs set in the ground. Holes are dug by post hole digger if the Dominicans wait that long. Generally they have holes carved out of the soft dirt by using their ever-present machetes. They call them cutlasses and use them for everything — sometimes weapons, according to Walker.

After work on Tuesday night Paul, Fred, and I made the trip back to Roseau, about 45 minutes to make the 15 or so miles, so that we could leave early the next morning for Antigua.

Cyrus said the work of the Mississippians would be noted in the history of the village and of the country.

Casualty of Storm

The Harrisburg Church crew went to Boetia, a village of about 400 people

that was almost totally destroyed. Southern Baptists have a mission there, and its building was a casualty of the storm. The Harrisburg church is going to finance its reconstruction. The church at Grand Fond cooperates with the Southern Baptist mission effort, and that building was leveled. Another Mississippi church will help in its reconstruction.

Dominica has a population of 80,000. The Roseau population is from 12,000 to 15,000. The second largest city is the one at the airport, Marigot, with 10,000. There are fewer than 100 Southern Baptists on the island, but more than that attend services. The Roseau church has 80 in Sunday School, and 60 attend Sunday School at Boetia. There is also another mission in addition to the Grand Fond church.

Mississippi groups went from Leesburg Church, Rankin Association; another group from Rankin Association; from Broadmoor Church, Jackson; from Temple Church, Hattiesburg; from Lefflore Association; and from Lee and Attala Association.

Seventy-five houses are not a great many. But they have made a big difference in a land where houses are at a premium. They weren't built for Baptists particularly. They were given to those with the greatest need. The missionaries relied on the town councils for their decisions. Seventy-five grateful families were benefited.

The entire effort was coordinated by the Mississippi Brotherhood Department. Paul Harrell is the director.

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Annie . . .

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Annie well." She recalls what happened when a package was received at the WMU office in the 1940s.

Mrs. Barnes laboriously unpacked and untied all the knots in the string on the package. She rolled the string into a neat little ball.

"Then Mrs. Barnes pulled out the drawer of her desk, put in the string, closed the drawer and said, 'All right, Miss Annie!'" Miss Falls said.

"I think Annie was a saving individual," she added. "She was so sold on missions, she did not want to squander any money on anything."



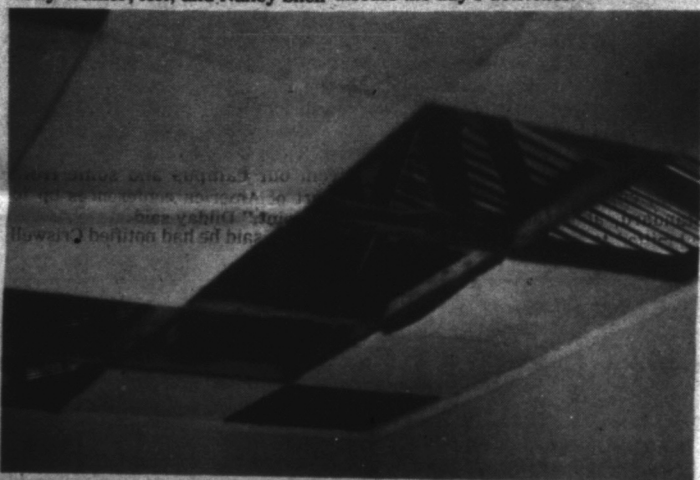
Downtown Roseau, Dominica



Deliverance Church is at the right.



Betty Walker, left, and Nancy Snell discuss the day's activities.



The ceiling of the Walkers' dining room still needs repairs.

Dilday Drops 'Heart' Group From Seminary Meet Sponsorship

By Toby Druin
FORT WORTH, Texas (BP) — Citing "programming conflicts," but apparently upset by an advertisement listing conference speakers he had not approved, Southwestern Seminary President Russell H. Dilday Jr. said the seminary will not co-sponsor a Bible conference with the James Robison-backed Heart of America organization at the seminary, March 10-12.

Instead, Dilday said, the seminary will be the sole sponsor of the event and Robison, who was to have been one of the speakers, has been dropped from the program, although he may be invited to the campus at a later date.

The conference originally was to have been jointly sponsored by the seminary and the Heart of America organization and would have been one of a series of several Heart of America conferences initiated last fall by Robison and Pastor W. A. Criswell of First Baptist Church, Dallas, to affirm the authority of the Scriptures.

Previous conferences have been held in St. Louis, at Southern Seminary and in Charlotte, N. C., and Albuquerque, N. M. The Southern Seminary conference was jointly sponsored.

Calling Attention
The conference will call attention to the importance of the Bible and its message in the critical first days of the new decade," Dilday said in a press release.

Theme of the conference, according to the release, will be "Communicating the Message of the Bible in the '80s," and it will include general sessions, workshops and regular class sessions with emphases on personal soul winning, the Bible, revivals and mass evangelism, proclaiming the Bible through practical Christian faith, preaching and the Bible, Bible study programs and radio and television.

Conference leaders will be Southern Baptist pastors (including several who have spoken at the Heart of America conferences), denominational leaders and seminary professors. Participation will be limited to seminary students, faculty and staff members and their families because of limited seating in the seminary auditorium.

Dilday would not elaborate on the cancellation of the joint sponsorship other than to state the guidelines under which he first agreed to have the conference at the seminary.

However, the cancellation followed an inquiry to Dilday by Presnell H. Wood, editor of the Texas Baptist Standard, about an advertisement submitted to the Standard about the

conference by Focus Advertising, the firm which handles Robison's publicity.

The ad, which has now been cancelled by Robison, listed several speakers and a theme, "Affirming the Authority of the Word of God." Speakers listed included Oscar Thompson and J. W. MacGorman of the seminary faculty; William Pinson, president of Golden Gate Seminary; Bailey Smith, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Okla.; James T. Draper Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, Euless; Jerry Vines, pastor of West Rome Baptist Church in West Rome, Ga.; Paige Patterson, president of the Criswell Center for Biblical Studies in Dallas, and Robison.

Wood called Dilday to check the theme, which differed from the previous news release issued by the seminary, and to ask why a meeting which was closed to the public was being advertised. After learning of the ad contents, Dilday canceled the co-sponsorship.

Dilday, contacted later, said he had initially been asked by Criswell to join him in a series of conferences calling Southern Baptists back to the Bible.

"He said James Robison was working with him in the conferences and they are the two I agreed to work with," Dilday said.

"Since then there has emerged the Heart of America organization which gradually became a James Robison program with Criswell more as an invited guest. The James Robison staff organized the conferences and their material was in all the promotional sections of the conferences."

Strict Guidelines
Dilday said he did not agree to have a conference at the seminary until after the initial Heart of America conference in St. Louis in September and said he had then laid down strict guidelines.

The guidelines included that it be called the Southwestern Seminary/Heart of America conference, not simply a Heart of America Bible Conference; that it not promote any institution or evangelistic association in any way; that no offering be taken; that it not be a conference on biblical authority or inerrancy but on communicating the Bible in the 1980s; and it would be limited to seminary students, faculty, and their families because of limited seating.

"We were also to mutually agree on the program personalities — some from our campus and some from Heart of America conferences up to that point," Dilday said.

Dilday said he had notified Criswell

of the cancellation of joint sponsorship and hoped the Dallas pastor still would participate in the conference. Criswell is recuperating from a heart attack, but Dilday, who preached at First Baptist Church, Dallas, Feb. 10, said he was told Criswell wanted to be a part of the conference.

The roster of speakers and leaders for the conference will be announced soon, Dilday said. Among those already confirmed are MacGorman and Thompson of the seminary faculty, Hal and Paula Brooks of North Highland Hills Baptist Church, Fort Worth; and Draper, Smith, Pinson, SBC President Adrian Rogers and others, he said.

Dilday would not comment on the other speakers listed in the ad but some apparently will not participate.

Robison said in an interview that the ad for the Standard was a mistake and should never have been placed. He acknowledged there was to have been no publicity since the seminary conference was not to have been open to the public.

His staff, he said, had just made a mistake after being told to stay ahead on publicity for his conferences. Everything, he said, had been adjusted to suit the seminary and he thought agreement had been reached on the speakers.

Petit Goave, Haiti — More than 60 elected delegates from seven Baptist churches and more than a dozen preaching stations formed into a district Baptist association — a first in the 150-year history of Baptists on the island of Haiti.

SS Enlargement Campaign Planned In Jackson County

Sunday School Enlargement is a vital part of the growing and going aspect of the Bold Mission Thrust. A Director-Led Enlargement Campaign, co-sponsored by Jackson County Association Allen O. Webb, director and the Mississippi Baptist Sunday School department, Bryant M. Cummings, director, will be conducted March 22-26.

Guest directors from within the state and Mississippi Sunday School Department personnel will provide leadership for the 16 participating churches.

A Sunday School Enlargement Campaign emphasizes creation of new departments and classes, maximum use of facilities, an efficient Sunday School organization and a functioning program of visitation.

The Mississippi Baptist Sunday School department gives priority to Sunday School growth. Write: Bryant M. Cummings, Box 530, Jackson, MS 39205, for assistance in scheduling and conducting a growth project in your Association or church.

Central Hills Staff Will Need Teen-Age Boys

The State Brotherhood Department is now taking applications for Royal Ambassador Camp Staff. The summer camping program is located at Central Hills Baptist Retreat in Kosciusko.

The program begins June 2, with a week of camp staff training and concludes August 15. There will be two weekend camps on July 18-19 and July 25-26.

If you are in High School and have completed the 9th grade, you are eligible to serve as an assistant to the counselors and staff instructors. The salary for this position will be \$25.00 per week. There will be six staff assistants needed for this summer.

To apply for one of the assistant's positions, write to Rusty Griffin, camp director, at: Brotherhood Department, Box 530, Jackson, Miss. 39205.

Mrs. Stone Will Coordinate Kindergarten/Day Care Clinic

Jane Stone, former director of early childhood education at Broadmoor Baptist Church, Jackson, is coordinating the program for a kindergarten/day care clinic, March 29, at Morrison Heights Baptist Church in Clinton.

The clinic is designed to provide directors and teachers in kindergarten and day care programs with fresh ideas for work with pre-schoolers and offer training in the work, according to Leon Emery, who directs the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board's Church Administration/Pastoral Ministries department.

The clinic begins at 8 a.m., running to 4 that afternoon. A registration fee

Mississippi Baptist Activities

- March 2-9 Week of Prayer for Home Missions and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (WMU)
- March 3 Sunday School Teaching & Growth conference, Temple, Hattiesburg, 7:00-9:30 p.m. Man and Boy Rallies, 6:30 p.m. FBC, Senatobia; FBC, Greenwood; FBC, Clinton; FBC, New Albany; FBC, Starkville; FBC, Brookhaven; FBC, Union; FBC, Laurel; FBC, Ocean Springs
- March 4 Sunday School Teaching & Growth Conference, FBC, Brandon, 7:00-9:30 p.m. Day Camp Workshop, Camp Garaywa, Clinton, 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- March 7-8 Mississippi Baptist Church Music Conference, Parkway, Jackson, 1:00 p.m., 7th-12:00 noon, 8th
- March 7-9 Acteens Queens' Court, Camp Garaywa, Clinton, 5:00 p.m., 7th-12:00 noon, 9th

Handbell, Instrumental Festivals Will Meet Same Time, Same Place

Starks Will Direct Handbell Choirs

Handbell choirs from local churches in Mississippi will gather at the Mississippi College Coliseum in Clinton for the State Handbell Festival on March 28-29. The choirs will form a mass group of more than 400 ringers who will rehearse under the direction of Howard Starks, minister of music at Calvary Baptist Church, Florence, S. C.

The final concert will be shared with the mass band from the State Instrumental Festival, which will be held at the college simultaneously with the handbell festival.

Individual handbell choirs will have an opportunity to be adjudicated as a part of this festival, sponsored by the Church Music Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. Outstanding ringers, nominated by local music directors, will compose an All-State Handbell Choir which will perform at the festival.

"All age-group handbell choirs, directors and persons interested in beginning a handbell choir are welcome," according to Perry Robinson, handbell specialist with the Church Music Department. Complete festival information, a list of required music and a pre-registration form are in the Mississippi Baptist Festival Handbook. Copies of this information are available from the Church Music Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, MS 39205.

Pre-registration forms must be received by the Church Music Department no later than Friday, March 14, 1980. The registration fee for the festi-



Pederson Starks

val is \$20.00 for the first choir and \$10.00 for each additional choir registered. The festival begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and concludes at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday. The public is invited to attend the Joint Handbell and Instrumental Festival Concert at 1:45 p.m. on March 29, at the Mississippi College Coliseum.

Pederson To Be Guest Clinician, Instrumental Fest

Vaughan Pederson, orchestral director at First Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, will be the guest clinician for Mississippi's second annual State Instrumental Festival. The festival, sponsored by the Church Music Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, will be held on March 28-29, at the Mississippi College Band Hall.

Players will form a mass band which will rehearse music composed specifically for the festival by Mr. Pederson. Church groups, small ensembles and soloists will have an opportunity to be adjudicated. All soloists who earn a superior rating will be awarded a \$25.00 scholarship to a Bap-

Jubilation Set

Fisher Humphreys of New Orleans Seminary will be guest speaker for "Jubilation," a celebration for junior and senior high school students to be held at Blue Mountain College, Feb. 29.

The program, sponsored by Baptist Student Union will include seminars on Christian dating, prayer and Bible study, and preparing for college. It begins at 7 p.m. Friday evening. Registration begins at 6.

tist summer music event.

Instrumentalists may participate whether they are a part of an organized ensemble in their churches or not. However, they must have at least three years experience on their instruments if they are not a part of their church's ensemble. "Ministers of music and/or other instrumental directors who are interested in beginning an ensemble are welcome and encouraged to attend the festival activities as guests of the Church Music Department," according to Bob Shuttleworth, instrumental music specialist with the Church Music Department.

Complete festival information and pre-registration forms are in the Mississippi Baptist Festival Handbook. Copies of this information are available from the Church Music Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, MS 39205. Pre-registration forms must be received by the Church Music Department no later than Monday, March 17. The registration fee for the festival is \$15.00 per person playing in the mass band, with no church paying more than \$25.00.

The festival begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and concludes at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday. Groups within a 55 mile radius of Jackson are asked to come at 5:00 for seating auditions. These groups could then have supper while groups from farther away have auditions for 6:00 to 7:00.

The public is invited to attend the Joint Handbell and Instrumental Festival Concert at 1:45 p.m. on March 29, at the Mississippi College Coliseum. The two festivals will meet simultaneously at the college, and then join together for the concert.

Gulfshore — Naylor, Hudgins To Lead Senior Adult Retreats

Robert E. Naylor of Fort Worth, Texas, and W. Douglas Hudgins of Jackson, are among the leadership being provided in three Senior Adult Retreats at Gulfshore this summer, May 19-23, May 26-30, and August 18-22.

Naylor, retired president of South-



Hudgins Naylor

western Seminary will be evening worship leader May 26-30. Hudgins, retired executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, will serve as Bible teacher May 19-23.

Bob Norman of Dallas, Texas, will be the worship leader May 19-23 and Joe T. Odle, retired editor of the Baptist Record will serve as Bible teacher May 26-30. Bible teachers and worship leaders for the August retreat are David Grant of Jackson, Curtis Burge of Greenwood, J. Roy McComb of Columbia, and James Yates of Yazoo City.

The retreats are coordinated by Kermit S. King and Ethel McKeithen of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

'Free To Be' Is Single Adult Conference Theme

"Free To Be" will be the theme of the Singles Retreat geared to young and median single adults at the Gulfshore Baptist Assembly on Memorial Day Weekend, May 23-26.

The retreat will begin with supper on Friday and end with breakfast on Monday. The program is arranged so that those who find it necessary to return home on Sunday afternoon may do so.

Stanley Craig, minister to singles, Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., will be the worship leader along with his wife, Gloria, a conference leader for the formerly marrieds.

Other conference leaders include Macklyn Hubbell, pastor, First Baptist Church, Cleveland; Don Dinsmore, associate director of chaplain services, University Medical Center, Jackson; Frank Butler, minister to singles, First Baptist Church, Jackson; Carolyn Ellis Jones, owner of an employment agency and telephone service, Greenwood; Steve McNeely, pastor, Northside Baptist Church, Clinton; Beverly Stubblefield, mental health counselor, Greenwood; and Woody Collins, president, Production Credit Association, Jackson.

A feature of the retreat will be a concert by the singles choir of the Dal-

raida Baptist Church of Montgomery, Ala., conducted by Curtis Brewer, minister of music. Marilyn Brewer and Becky Payne of Jackson's First Baptist Church, will be the accompanists for the conference.

Cost of the retreat, Friday night supper through Sunday lunch (including room, linens and meals) is from \$35.50 to \$38.50, depending upon type of accommodations.

The Afterglow Program from Sunday afternoon through breakfast Monday costs an additional \$14.75 to \$16.25.

For reservations, send \$15.00 per person to Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Miss., 39571. For program particulars, write the Christian Action Commission, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss., 39205, or call 601-354-3704, ext. 288.

The retreat is sponsored by the Christian Action Commission, with J. Clark Hensley, executive director, and Frank Butler as co-directors.

"Out of state reservations will be accepted after April 1, and on the basis of inquiries we have received from out of the state, we would urge Mississippians to send in their reservations now to avoid possible inconvenience in receiving a 'no vacancy' report," Hensley said.

Birthday Prayer Calendar For MKs

- March 5—Eva Mayhail (Libert), University of Southern Mississippi
- March 12—Paige Rowden (Israel), Belmont College, Tenn.
- March 24—Michael Merritt (Germany), University of Southern Mississippi
- March 27—Laura Myers (Vietnam), William Carey College

Ole Miss BSU Will Sponsor Rebel Roundup

Rebel Roundup is a day of crazy games, fun, food, and inspiration sponsored by the Ole Miss Baptist Student Union especially for high school and junior high church groups.

It will be held Saturday, April 19, 1980, from 10 a.m. till 4 p.m., at Oxford at the University of Mississippi Education School Gym and Playing Field.

The purpose of Rebel Roundup is to give students an opportunity to participate in the fellowship of sports competition through an out-of-the-ordinary olympics; to acquaint students with Christian college students and the program of the Baptist Student Union at Ole Miss; to provide a worship service in which youths will be challenged to commit their lives fully to Jesus Christ; and to support the program of BSU student summer missions through entry fees and concessions.

Churches from throughout the state are invited to bring teams of youths to participate in the crazy games which are patterned after the popular television show, "Almost Anything Goes."

and a special youth rally which will feature testimonies by Ole Miss basketball player, John Stroud, and Ole Miss cheerleader, Leisha Prather.

Special music will be presented by Brad White, Brian Kennedy, Anthony Eubanks and other UM Athletes. A concert by the BSU ensemble and drama team, and an address by state BSU director, Jerry Merriman, will also be included in the rally program.

Registration for Rebel Roundup is due March 15. The cost is \$25.00 for the first team plus \$15.00 for each additional team.

Additional information and application forms may be obtained by writing Ole Miss BSU, Box 232, University, Miss., 38677 or by calling (601) 234-9366.

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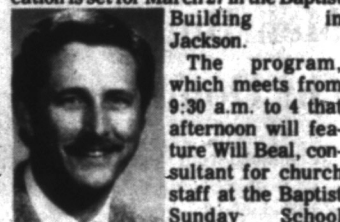
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Education Ministers Will Be Offered Information Update

A special program of sharing and information update for ministers of education is set for March 27 in the Baptist Building in Jackson.



The program, which meets from 9:30 a.m. to 4 that afternoon will feature Will Beal, consultant for church staff at the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville.

Purpose of the meeting, according to Leon Emery, organizer, is to evaluate the actions ministers of education are taking as educators, inform them about manuals designed for them, and afford a discussion session about personal and professional needs.

No fee is required, but pre-registration is necessary. A complimentary lunch provided by the convention board will be served. Write Emery care of the Church Administration-Pastoral Ministries department, Box 530, Jackson, Miss. 39205.

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Editorials

Annie Armstrong Offering . . .

The needs are vast

Former Mississippi Pastor Mel Craft was back in the state last week to join Paul Harrell, state Brotherhood director, in enlisting support for missions projects that are shaping up for Nevada, where Mel is one of four professionals on the convention's staff.

Mel and two other Mississippians are on the ground floor in the beginning of a Baptist state convention for Nevada. Ernie Myers is the executive secretary out there, and Rudy Duett is the other Mississippian.

Mel and Paul came by the Baptist Record office to visit, and we talked about missions; for that is what is going on in Nevada. This piece, however, is not to extol Mel Craft or the

Nevada convention but instead to call attention to that concept which helps to keep mission work going over most of North America and beyond. It is the Annie Armstrong Offering, which will be emphasized all over the nation during March. Its companion emphasis, and one every bit as meaningful if not more so, is the Week of Prayer for Home Missions. That is March 2 to 9.

The point is that every state convention inaugurated nowadays has a heavy Home Mission Board involvement. It has to be that way, for Baptists are few in those areas. The only way to have more Baptists, however, is to get started; and that is what they have done in Nevada. The Home Mis-

sion Board supports the work in Nevada with 90 percent of its operating budget. Mel informs us that Nevada is the first new convention to get under way in many years with a Home Mission Board involvement that small.

So the new areas of Southern Baptist involvement in the United States are missions fields. They are missions fields just as much as are Africa and South America. To keep that sort of mission involvement active the Home Mission Board must have a great deal of support, and that is the reason for the Annie Armstrong offering. The writer has spent a small amount of time in Nevada, for the northern half of the state was a part of the California

convention when I was editor of the California Southern Baptist. Therefore the needs of that state have a special tug for me, but there are similar circumstances from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from above the Arctic Circle to the Rio Grande River and the Gulf of Mexico. In addition, the summer paradise of the Hawaiian Islands and the beautiful Caribbean Island of Puerto Rico must be added to the list.

The area and the needs are vast. The response in prayer and in money must match those vast needs.

The nationwide goal this year for the Annie Armstrong Offering is \$15.5 million. Every bit of it will be needed. —DTM



Faces And Places

By Anne Washburn McWilliams

Jeanette Clift George

Jeanette Clift George, who starred as Corrie ten Boom in "The Hiding Place," came to the Baptist Building Feb. 13 to speak at a WMU-sponsored luncheon in the Sky Room. More than 100 women came — Building employees and other women who work in downtown Jackson, and some visitors from nearby towns.

Since I had heard Mrs. George speak before and had read her book, *Some Run With Feet of Clay*, I went with eagerness to hear her again.

First she said that identity does not come from activities or from human relationships, but that it comes from God; she quoted 1 Corinthians 15:10 — "For by the grace of God I am what I am."

She recounted an experience she and a friend had while traveling in Italy. On the train all empty seats were tagged, "Reserved," so the two sat on their luggage, uncomfortably, for the sharp locks pricked. Both were hungry but didn't have much Italian money. Maybe they could get a sandwich. The waiter in the dining car knew little English and they could not speak Italian, so they had a hard time trying to describe a sandwich. Finally he brought something similar to what they had in mind. It wasn't very good.

At their destination the travel agent met them and asked, "Did you have a good trip?"

"No, we had to sit on our luggage. All the seats were reserved."

"But two were reserved for you! How was your meal?"

"Not good. We had a sandwich."

"Sandwich! But we don't have those in Italy."

"We know. We know. But we didn't have much money."

"But your meal was already paid for. You paid for it and the seats when you bought your ticket."

"Nobody told us," they said.

"But it says so right on your ticket," the agent pointed out.

"We don't speak Italian."

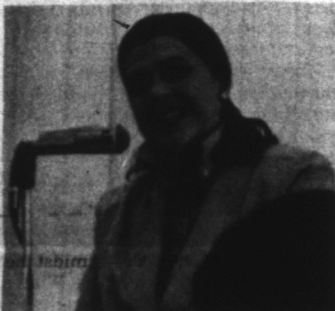
"But it's written in English!"

Mrs. George continued, "We sit perched on our luggage, afraid to move from our secure place, not understanding what wonderful things God has made available for us, for which He has already paid the price."

Once, she said, she saw two little boys playing happily in the sand by the sea. Their mother, watching, looked

even more happy than they. The mother had brought them to this place and given each a bucket. They were not fighting, but were having great fun. When the waves hit their feet, the children would run backward up the beach, laughing.

Mrs. George said that as she watched she imagined another scene: One little boy set his bucket down and said, "I don't deserve all this fun. I'm going to quit playing." The other boy sadly set his bucket aside and said, "I don't know what this terrible world is coming to. I don't know what it will be like by the time I grow up. There's no need to keep playing." Who would be hurt most, she wondered. Would it not be the mother who had provided for them all that joy? How do you think God feels when we give up and quit playing?



"We as Christians know there is hope for the believer, right now in our contemporary society," the actress said. "Believers are precious unto God. He has given you power measured by the power it took Him to raise Jesus from the dead."

Once when she was trying to lose weight, Mrs. George said, she went to a sort of health spa, where the reception room was decorated in purple, the woman who met her was wearing a purple body suit (or else she was very cold), and served her coffee in a purple cup. Then out in the gym the woman told her, "If we are going to lose pounds, we have to work at it." She longed to be back in the plush and pleasant room, drinking from a purple cup.

She said, "In the exercise room we long for the purple room where we can sit and do nothing. But we need exercise. To give joy is God's responsibility. Mine is to obey Him."

Guest Opinion . . .

Formula For Success

By Herbert S. Hoff
Jackson Layman

Who was Doctor Albert Einstein? Few people living today will fail to recognize the name Einstein and most will recall that he was the world's foremost scientist. No person has made such an impact on the world of science as Einstein did with his theories and ideas regarding physical science. He expressed these scientific thoughts by the use of formulas.

One of his best known theories was that of Relativity which he expressed with the formula $E=MC^2$ (Energy Equals Mass x the Speed of Light squared). This formula suggests that small particles of matter contain extremely large amounts of energy. It was not until 1945 with the explosion of the atomic bomb was this famous theory proven to be true. Only then did the world realize that vast amounts of energy were all around us and available for man's use.

All over the Southern Baptist Convention thousands of dedicated pas-

tors and lay leaders are deeply distressed because of our failure to win lost people to Christ and because, in many areas, we are experiencing a decline in church growth. Could it be that we have not discovered the formula that produces church (Christian) success?

The Scriptures contain many formulas that assure successful Christian living. One of these can be expressed as CS=R+H (Christian or Church Success = Reverence + Holy Spirit). Acts 9:31, "A Translation in the Language of the People," states, "So the church all over Judea, Galilee and Samaria enjoyed peace, and as it continued to be built up spiritually and to live in reverence for the Lord, it continued to increase in number through the encouragement that the Holy Spirit gave." This verse refers to a time of phenomenal growth and success of the early New Testament Church and to the existing conditions that led to that success. God had solved the problems of church persecution by the conversion of the chief persecutor, Saul.

Why was the church so successful? The scripture expressed in Acts 9:31 that the church enjoyed peace, built up spiritually and increased in numbers. Further, the verse states that the members lived in reverence for the Lord and responded to the encouragement of the Holy Spirit. Luke, the Apostle, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, made it clear what happened in the church and why it happened.

The writer expressed that one reason for the church success was that the members truly lived in reverence for the Lord. Their attitude was one of profound respect mingled with love and awe. It was one of honor, adoration, and thanksgiving to one who had done something of untold and everlasting value for them that no one else could do.

Luke also emphatically states that the success came because the members responded to the leading of the Holy Spirit. They were aware that the Spirit lived in them, made them con-

scious of man's spiritual needs, and directed them in accomplishing the church's mission of winning people to Jesus Christ.

Just as scientists throughout the world celebrated the year 1979 as the centennial year of the great scientist Albert Einstein, is it not possible for Christians also to have the opportunity to rejoice because of victories won in serving Jesus Christ? If we are honest, only a positive answer can be given to this question. This is true because the early Christian church and many others have proven that when genuine love, honor, and respect for Christ plus the unlimited power of the Holy Spirit is manifested only success results. The fact is that Christians are limited only by their vision and by their willingness to put forth the effort necessary to assure success.

Remember that Christian Success equals Reverence for the Lord plus the Utilization of the Power of the Holy Spirit.



The Dominicans aided in the building effort.



The trusty machete (cutlass) was a valuable tool.

Mississippi Men Build On Dominica

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The building show attracted a crowd.



The 10-foot-by-12-foot house is about complete.



Sometimes cooperation between Dominican and Mississippian was necessary.



John Bewley, minister of activities at Broadmoor Church, gives the local residents an added attraction with an impromptu magic show.

Book Reviews

RULES, RULES, RULES! by Evelyn Vaughn (Convention Press, 42 pp., Family Enrichment Series, for ages 9-11) In this new book, Mrs. Chester Vaughn of Jackson, Miss. helps older children find out for themselves why they need rules. The four chapters discuss rules that are personal, rules that are set by family and society, and rules that are found in the Bible. Illustrations, anecdotes, puzzles, and games add to the book's readability. Mrs. Vaughn also writes Sunday School and VBS curriculum materials for older children and their teachers. **RULES! RULES! RULES!** is a Foundation Unit in the Church Study Course.

A GARDENER LOOKS AT THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT by W. Philip Keller (Word, 187 pp., \$7.95) From the perspective of a naturalist, Keller takes a comprehensive look at what the fruits of the Spirit really mean on a day-by-day practical basis in the life of the believer. He begins with a section on four types of people, "the soil available to the Great Gardener of our souls." He discusses Pathway People — for the Birds; Rocky People without Deep Roots; Thorny People, Lost in the Weeds; and Productive People, Good Ground. Then he analyzes each of nine specific fruits that can grow in a life. He states, "When the Spirit of God works our little lives, there to shed abroad His love of which goodness is such an important part, we become changed people. It is the presence of Christ in the garden who al-

ters and re-makes its entire character. . . Fresh fruit — good fruit — grows in the garden." He admits that it is possible for the Christian to excel in some fruits while remaining less mature in others. Keller's love for the land and his love for God shine through in his writing, which is done with simplicity and clarity. This is a powerful book well worth reading.

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Ag Missions Foundation Will Meet At Greenwood

James Cecil, Foreign Mission Board, SBC, consultant on lay involvement, will bring the keynote message for the annual meeting of the Agricultural Missions Foundation Friday evening, March 7, at Immanuel Church, Greenwood, according to an announcement by Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, president of the Foundation.

Supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. with missionary presentations given during the meal.

During the general session, which will begin at 7 p.m., Carl Ryther, missionary to Bangladesh, and Larry Cox, missionary to the Ivory Coast will speak, and Bob and Jan Salley of Waco, Tex., singers for World Hunger, will present special music.

Tickets for the catfish supper can be purchased at the church before the meal for \$4. Advanced notice needs to be given by noon on Friday, March 7, by ones who plan to eat (write Agricultural Missions Foundation, P. O. Box 1, Tupelo, Miss. 38801 or call 842-4615.) Hotel reservations can be made by individuals with Holiday Inn or Ramada Inn, Greenwood, or through the Agricultural Missions office.

Singing Churchmen Retreat Will Be At Alta Woods

The guest leader for the Singing Churchmen Retreat, March 6-7, will be Robert L. Burton, professor of conducting and ensemble activities at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex. The retreat will be held at Alta Woods Church in Jackson, beginning with registration at 1 p.m. on March 6.

According to Perry Robinson (Indian Springs, Laurel), president, any minister of music interested in joining the Singing Churchmen may attend the retreat and become a member there. Annual membership dues are \$7.50 plus a \$5.00 music deposit, he said.

Before joining the seminary staff in 1955, Burton served as instructor of woodwinds at L.S.U. and minister of music in two churches. His professional engagements include many state music festivals and workshops as well as engagements as guest conductor for such presentation as Messiah performed through Israel and Jordan with a command performance for King Hussein of Jordan. He works with the Fort Worth Oratorio Orchestra and Seminary Oratorio Chorus.

Howard Payne Names Ralph Phelps President

DALLAS (BP) — Ralph A. Phelps Jr., former president of Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, Ark., was named president of Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas, effective March 1, 1980.

Phelps, a 56-year-old native Texan, succeeded Roger L. Brooks who resigned the Baptist school nine months ago to become vice president of graduate studies at Houston Baptist University.

He served at Ouachita, 1953-68, and was named president emeritus when he stepped down from that post at age 48.

Among positions Phelps has held since leaving Ouachita are the vice

presidency of a bank in Little Rock, Ark., vice presidencies at Dallas (Texas) Baptist College and Mercer University, Macon, Ga.; and the vice presidency of Leisure and Recreation Concepts, a Dallas architectural and design firm, where he has worked since October 1974.

Phelps was graduated cum laude from Baylor University, Waco, Texas, and earned master and doctor of theology degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. He was associate professor of Christian ethics at Southwestern Seminary, 1948-53, and has been pastor of several churches in Texas and Arkansas.



Left to right, front row: Mrs. Joncie Howell, Joe Wise, Edwina Wise. Left to right, back row — Billy Sullivan, George Savell and Jerry G. Wise, pastor.

McLaurin, First, Is Still Reaping Dividends From 1979 Missions Trip

Lebanon Association's Brotherhood sponsored a 1979 summer missions trip to Yreka in northern California, to build an education-fellowship building and conduct an ACTION program for the small Southern Baptist church there.

A grouping of interested people from several churches made the trip possible for some smaller churches. "People from small churches can help other small churches and thereby reap rich spiritual blessings," says Jerry G. Wise, pastor of McLaurin, First Church, and the 1979 Lebanon Association Brotherhood director. He reports that blessings are continuing in the

McLaurin church since six members made the missions trip along with 11 people from four other churches.

McLaurin church members, who took time off from their jobs to make the trip include: Billy Sullivan, a local building contractor who served as building supervisor in Yreka; George Savell, a carpenter; Joncie Howell, McLaurin WMU Director; Jerry Wise, pastor, and his wife and son, Edwina and Joe Wise.

While the men worked on the building, the two women provided leadership in an ACTION Program for the Yreka church to locate Bible Study enrollees and prospects among hundreds of apartment dwellers near the church.

Spiritual dividends for McLaurin church, according to the pastor, include:

1. An increased missions awareness and involvement of members in mis-

sions activities to reach people in the church community.

2. A re-activated Baptist Men's group, with Billy Sullivan as leader.

3. The beginning of an R.A. group, with George Savell as leader.

4. Warm friendships continuing with Yreka, California, people.

5. McLaurin church members engaging in prayer for each other.

Joel Ray, associational executive director, along with Wise, coordinated the mission trip. Ray and his son, Jody, were among those who made the trip.

When asked if they would make another such missions endeavor, members of the group responded with an enthusiastic "Yes, indeed!" also, other members of the McLaurin church say they are anxious to join the group next time for a Bold Missions thrust, to serve the Lord in other places of need.

Mississippi Baptist Church Music Meet To Be At Parkway

Members of the Mississippi Baptist Church Music Conference will get together March 7-8 at Parkway Church, Jackson, for a third annual meeting. Featured speakers for the conference will include Robert Burton, professor of conducting and ensemble activities at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., and Charles Holliday, Jackson, state superintendent of education. Music will feature Mississippi talent.

Leon Bedsole, president of the group, and minister of music at First Church, Biloxi, said, "The purpose of the Mississippi Baptist Church Music Conference is to encourage Christian fellowship among Mississippi Baptist musicians and educators, to contribute to the spiritual and musical growth of all, and to promote and coordinate the ministry of music in our churches and in our denomination."

He added that anyone interested in joining may do so at the registration desk at Parkway March 7 or 8.

Registration for the meeting will

begin at 1 p.m., March 7 followed by the opening session at 1:30. A banquet is slated for Friday evening at Mississippi College. Reservations for the banquet should be made by contacting Nan Grantham, at Broadmoor Baptist Church, 787 Northside Drive, Jackson, MS 39206.

Saturday's session will last from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The business session will be held on Saturday morning for election of officers and adoption of resolutions.

Sessions for experienced, inexperienced and support music workers will comprise a portion of the meeting.

Enrollment at Campbellsville College in Kentucky is up 20 students as compared to the Spring, 1979 semester, according to Pat Cowherd, registrar at the college. Campbellsville College, a senior liberal arts college affiliated with the Kentucky Baptist Convention, currently has 672 students as compared to 652 last spring.

Baptist Compassion Helps Liberate Toba Indians

By Gerhard Claas

PAMPA DEL INDIO, Argentina — Missionary Action in South America (MASA) has a district hospital here to provide expert treatment for more than 5,000 Toba Indians, but most of their villages have a kind of polyclinic run by national missionaries.

This is only part of the effort by MASA to aid the Toba Indians who for some time have been threatened with extinction in the Gran Chaco of Argentina. Traditionally dependent on hunting and fishing, the Tobas were forced into the wasteland of the pampa and the marshy prairie as white civilization claimed more and more of their living space. Completely unacquainted with farming and cattle raising, they suffered from malnutrition. Furthermore, the streams of their new surroundings were unpalatable and sometimes polluted. Life expectancy shrunk to 40 years.

For survival, many of the Tobas became bondmen to the new white landlords, but this did not work out well. The Indians were not accustomed to the work required, and the landlords made what seemed to be unfair demands.

In part to deal with these problems, MASA was founded in 1970 by some German Baptists. From the first, their policy was to support Argentinian Baptists as they tried to create a new living space for the Indians. MASA does not own property in South America; nor does it send Europeans for missionary service. MASA works with the Baptist Union of Argentina, assisting nationals in planning and carrying out a new, integrated missionary program.

Creating living space for the Toba

Indians meant: (1) buying land to be administered by Baptists of Argentina; (2) setting up courses to teach the Indians how to raise grain and vegetables; (3) establishing a cooperative for farm equipment and stock; (4) digging deep wells in every village; (5) buying cows to fight against tuberculosis; (6) sharing knowledge and facilities to help the Indians be prepared for emergency situations; (7) building simple but adequate housing; and (8) providing basic medical care.

The Toba Indians have responded well to the gospel message and to this demonstration of its practical concern. Two Indian Baptist churches have 350 members in the Baptist Union of Argentina. — EBPS.

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"Prime Minister Of Humor" Will Appear At William Carey

Christian humorist Grady Nutt, "The Prime Minister of Humor," will appear at William Carey College on March 5 at 8:15 p.m. in Thomas Hall Auditorium.

Advance tickets are \$3.00 and are available through the Carey Baptist Student Union Office. Tickets may be purchased at the door for \$4.00.

Nutt, an ordained minister and a graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, is a humorist by his own description: "A humorist is not trying to crack jokes... a humorist is an interpreter of life. He takes common experiences — something that's

happened to everybody — and filters it through his own way of looking at things until it comes alive for another person."

A native Texan, Nutt was just three when he began entertaining, his mother standing him on a chair to reach the microphone of a Sunday afternoon gospel music radio program. Today he makes more than 150 appearances annually for church groups, conventions, civic organizations and concert audiences.

In addition, he has been on "Hee-Haw" and the "Mike Douglas Show," has recorded three albums, and has written four books.

Students' Offering Provides 2,500 Cambodians Clothing

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — Funds contributed by college students during the Southern Baptist Student Conference on World Missions have been used to purchase a basic suit of clothing for 2,500 adult refugees staying in the Kam Put Camp in southern Thailand.

A total of \$6,822.55 was collected during a special offering at the student conference, Dec. 27-31, and channeled through the relief ministries of the Foreign Mission Board for Cambodian refugee relief.

"The majority of refugees coming to Thailand have only the clothes on their backs and are in dire need of replacements. The clothing provided by the students' offering will consist of a bloused shirt and bloomer trousers—typical of Vietnamese and Cambodian style of dress," said John Cheyne, the Foreign Mission Board's associate consultant for relief ministries.

The Kam Put Camp is a government

camp near Chantaburi, Thailand, where Southern Baptists have been given basic responsibilities for the 8,000 refugees now residing there. Dan Cobb, a Southern Baptist missionary, supervises Baptist relief ministries in several camps located in southern Thailand.

The board has allocated \$610,000 for Cambodian relief since October 1979 and accepted the responsibility of 25,000 refugees. The four priorities specified in caring for these refugees are to provide medical assistance; food aid to children under five years and nursing mothers; food distribution and food supplement to children up to 12 years and food distribution for 25,000 adults.

"At this time Southern Baptists and local churches have contributed almost \$300,000 for the Cambodian project. Instead of adding the students' offering to the total, we assigned the money to a special project they could specifically identify," Cheyne said.

Comedian, Musician, Actor

Jeremiah People Will Perform At Colonial Heights Church

Jeremiah People will perform at Colonial Heights Church, Jackson on Monday, March 3, at 7 p.m. The program will combine comedy sketches, original music, pantomimes, and monologues. Set in a fast-paced format, the purpose is not only to entertain, but also to communicate Biblical truths of commitment and discipleship.

Jeremiah People is currently on a nine-month tour of performances across the U.S. His program is titled, "HOME AGAIN — Portrait of A Family," and is designed for the whole family. The public is invited.

Colonial Heights Baptist Church is located at 5708 Old Canton Road. The pastor is J. Gerald Harris.

Cothen, Nine Others Named To BJCPA Search Committee

WASHINGTON (BP) — A search committee of 10 persons has been named to seek a successor to James E. Wood Jr., who recently resigned his post as executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs here.

Grady C. Cothen, president of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn., will serve as chairman of the search committee.

Other members are Gideon K. Zimmerman, chairman of the joint committee and executive secretary of the North American Baptist Conference, Villa Park, Ill.; Harold C. Bennett, executive secretary-treasurer of the SBC Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn.; Charles G. Adams, pastor of Hartford Avenue Baptist Church, Detroit; William Cober, associate general secretary of the American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A., Valley Forge, Pa.; K. Duane Hurley, executive secretary of the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, Plainfield, N.J.

Also, William F. Keucher, pastor of Covenant Baptist Church, Detroit, and current president of the American Baptist Churches; Pearl McNeil,

ecumenical officer, American Baptist Churches, Valley Forge, Pa.; Warren R. Magnuson, general secretary of the Baptist General Conference, Evanston, Ill.; and Harry A. Renfree, executive minister of the Baptist Union of Canada, Calgary, Alberta.

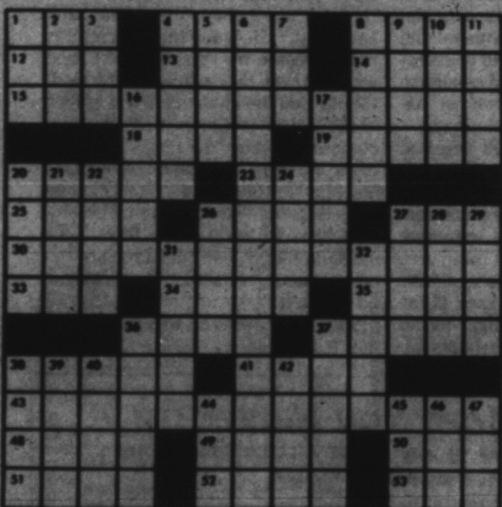
Cothen said any interested Baptist is welcomed to make recommendations concerning the Washington post to him in care of the BJCPA search committee, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn. 37234, or to any other member of the search committee. He promised that all recommendations will receive "careful consideration."

Wood, whose resignation takes effect May 31, will return to the faculty of Baylor University, Waco, Texas, where he will direct the J.M. Dawson Studies in Church and State and become Simon Bunn Professor of Church-State Studies.

As if explanations can help anybody. The facts may be right, but the explanations are nearly always wrong, because they have to be in terms of our limited intelligence. — George Bernard Shaw.

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- 4 News
- 5 Esau (Gen. 26:8)
- 13 Girl's name
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- 16 Ear part
- 18 "and — — — the prison" (Mark 6)
- 19 Winter vehicle
- 20 Girl's name
- 26 Judge's seat: pl.
- 28 Canadian Johnson
- 29 Mountain: comb. form
- 30 Pinball
- 37 High note
- 38 "— — — questioning with them" (Mark 7)
- 39 Thing: Law
- 40 Beveraged
- 42 Kidney: comb. form
- 43 "In the — of Ahar" (1 Ki. 16:11)

- 37 Moses' brother (Ex. 4)
- 38 One that skin
- 41 Emaculate
- 43 "— — — — — the children" (Matt. 23)
- 45 African town
- 46 Cry of Bacchanals
- 50 Literary collection
- 51 Two thousand pounds equals —
- 52 "pitched a — for it" (2 Chron. 1)
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Thursday, February 28, 1980

Names In The News . . .

MSC Sponsorship May Aid Cooperative Program Giving



FAIRFIELD CHURCH, MOSELLE honored MRS. ALMA BRYANT at her recent retirement for her faithful service as church clerk, 1967-1979. Pictured with Mrs. Bryant is her former pastor, J. F. SUMNER, JR., left, presenting her with a plaque, and IRA T. RAMEY, her present pastor, who presented her with a gift from the church.

ATLANTA (BP) — Ed Seabough, associate to the executive director-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, resigned effective Feb. 29, due to physical and emotional exhaustion. Seabough, 47, in his letter of resignation to Executive Director William G. Tanner, said he felt "desperately the need of several months of complete rest."

After three or four months of rest Seabough hopes "to be open to another creative assignment." He expressed thanks to Tanner and the Home Mission Board for "the great support felt in making this decision."

Charles Davis, pastor of Mt. Gilead Church (Lauderdale) was entertainer for the adult Valentine Banquet at Bethany Church, Wynot.

Davis gave a humorous skit, followed by a concert of secular and inspirational songs. The piano music was provided by his wife, Mrs. Sam Culpepper was in charge of preparing and serving the food. Jimmie Garrard gave the opening remarks. Decorations were designed by Mrs. Tommy Shannon and Mrs. Tim Rutledge. Jimmie Garrard is pastor.

Joe Triplett, Sr., of Jackson, has received the 1980 Book of Golden Deeds Award from the North Jackson Exchange Club. Triplett is on the staff of First Baptist Church, Jackson, where he has been a counselor since 1967.

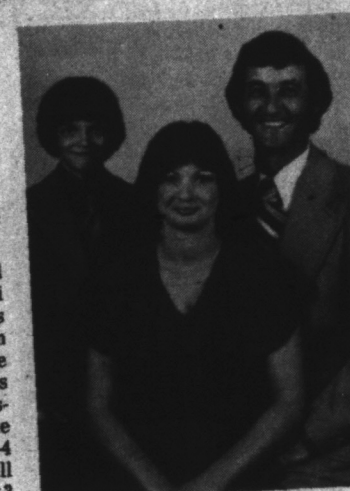
Sam Gore, professor of art at Mississippi College, will be exhibiting his works throughout March at the Jackson Municipal Art Gallery, 838 North State Street, Jackson. An open house is planned by the Mayor and Commissioners of the city of Jackson at the gallery on Sunday, March 2, from 2-4 p.m. in honor of Gore. The honoree will conduct a sculpture demonstration at 3 p.m.

Gore will be exhibiting in his one-man show clay and bronze sculpture, water colors, oils, and etchings. The public is invited to the open house and to view the exhibit.

Paul and Betty Roaten, missionaries to Uruguay, have completed furlough and returned to the field (address: Casilla 14052, Montevideo, Uruguay). A native of Mississippi, he was born in Tupelo.

The Chalk Talk Ministry of Bob and Nicki Williams of Jackson will be featured at a banquet at Central Church Brookhaven at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday March 1. The Williamses are also to be featured in a special service for the children and adults of Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson, March 5, at 6 p.m.

The Lincoln Baptist Association's annual pastors-deacons-wives fellowship banquet will be held at 7 p.m. on Mar. 7 at the Copiah-Lincoln Junior College. Nicki and Bob Williams will be guest entertainers. Bob is a student at New Orleans Seminary. Nicki is co-host of "Mississippi Morning" and teacher of the "Romper Room School" on WJTV, Jackson's Channel 12.



The Maxies

Sand Hill Church, Greene Association, on Sunday, February 10, licensed Ronnie Maxie, to preach. Maxie preached his first sermon at the morning service. He has been active in all phases of Sand Hill activities for several years.

He is a native of Perry County, and his wife, Elizabeth, is an native of Sand Hill Community. They have one son, Scott, 10. The pastor is Claude Fortenberry.

ATLANTA (BP) — Support of Mission Service Corps volunteers may result in increased — not decreased — missions giving through the Cooperative Program, an informal survey has revealed.

While complete statistics are not available for 1979, 10 of 13 churches surveyed which financially support a volunteer mission worker through the Mission Service Corps program, substantially increased their gifts through the Cooperative Program method of missions funding as well.

"When Mission Service Corps was started in 1977, some leaders expressed a concern that support of volunteers would cut into gifts to the Cooperative Program," said David Bunch, coordinator of MSC for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. "The informal survey indicates that the opposite may be true."

Gene Watterson, pastor of First Baptist Church of Shelby, N. C., thinks there is a "vital link" between support of MSC volunteers and increased giving to the Cooperative Program.

Watterson, a member of the original Mission Service Corps steering committee, helped forge the basic concept of full-time volunteer mission service for Southern Baptist lay persons and others. MSC hopes to put 5,000 such volunteers on the field for one or two years' service by 1982.

First Baptist Church in Shelby totally supports three volunteers on home mission fields and plans to commission and support seven more volunteers for within the church in the near future.

At the same time, the congregation

is working to reach a "50-50" status by 1982, in which 50 percent of their contributions remain for church operations and the other 50 percent is given through the Cooperative Program to support Southern Baptist work around the world.

First Baptist Church of Arlington, Texas, supports three volunteers, who serve in Connecticut and Brazil. In 1979, after starting the sponsorship, the church increased Cooperative Program gifts by more than 20 percent, increased total offerings by 15 percent and hiked the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for foreign missions by a whopping 30 percent.

Charles Wade, pastor, explains: "We are giving more to the Cooperative Program than we ever have. We have always been a missions-minded church, but our Mission Service Corps involvement has deepened and broadened our support for the entire Southern Baptist mission program."

The trend toward increased gifts after MSC sponsorship isn't limited to large churches. Several small and medium-sized congregations have shown significant jumps as well.

For instance, Ivy Hill Baptist Church near tiny Weaverville, N.C., currently averages 103 in Sunday School. In the fall of 1978, the church voted to support home-town girl Gloria

Brown as a MSC volunteer in Montana. That same year, the church also doubled gifts to the Cooperative Program.

Watterson feels personalized missions through support of volunteers helps increase Cooperative Program gifts. "Our people see the Cooperative Program in terms they can readily grasp, because they can SEE missions," he said.

Wade says, "Our overall giving is up because we ourselves are involved in world missions." He uses a special telephone hookup to let the MSC volunteers report to the congregation during Sunday services.

Ivy Hill pastor Worth Emory says: "I am thrilled. Our people have realized the needs around the world and keep wanting to do more, financially and personally." He says there is a new excitement in the church because a hometown girl has become a "real live missionary."

While the survey was far from scientific, it did determine that at least three churches have both supported MSC volunteers and increased Cooperative Program gifts.

"More time will be needed to determine whether a real trend is underway, but as more and more volunteers are assigned, the money that churches give to their support may well prove to be an investment in the future of the Cooperative Program," Bunch said.

Baptist Schools Recorded Fall Enrollment Increase

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — Enrollment at Southern Baptist-related colleges and junior colleges rose by 8.1 percent last fall, according to figures compiled by the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The 46 Baptist senior colleges and universities enjoyed the largest growth. Their enrollment increased 7,182, or 8.17 percent, to 95,132 students.

Junior colleges saw a 6.54 percent increase with a total enrollment of 5,110 students in seven schools, up from 4,796 students in 1978.

According to a recent survey by the National Institute of Independent Colleges and Universities, the nation's private colleges recorded only a 1.9 percent enrollment increase last fall with church-related colleges posting a 1.9 percent increase.

Southern Baptist seminaries recorded a 3.8 percent increase while Baptist Academies saw a student en-

rollment growth of 13.9 percent. Southern Baptist Bible schools reported a 2.98 percent increase in students.

According to the report, there were 114,407 students at Southern Baptist schools last fall.

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"Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law" (Gal. 3:13).

Just For The Record . . .



FIVE FROM FIRST CHURCH, AMORY, recently received God and Country Scouting Awards. These spent over a year of in-depth study of Baptist doctrines, under guidance of their pastor, JIM FUTRAL, and other church leaders. Left to right are VAN P. EAST, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Van East, Sr.; BETH BAKER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Baker; KIRK HODO, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hodo; LOU ANNE EAST, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Van East, Jr.; and MIKE FLOWERS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Flowers.

Seventy people gathered at Central, Brookhaven, for a budget focusing on WMU. Theme — the banquet was "Welcome to Our Rose Garden." Each one on program spoke on a subject symbolizing tools needed to tend Christian lives: Barbara Seafidel spoke on love; Pat Dunn on meeting physical needs; Doris Foster on commitment; Irene Hancock on prayer; and Denise Brister on witnessing. Each placed a rose in a vase. Corine Brown, assistant WMU director, arranged the roses and gave a talk on "WMU, Our Bouquet of Roses." Denise Brister and Georgia Myers presented special music. Roma Cliburn, WMU director, and Paul Wilson, pastor, were also on program.

Calvary Church, Tupelo, exceeded its annual budget of \$401,000 by pledging \$411,515.00 in one day, Sunday morning, January 27. January was budget promotion month at Calvary. The total amount pledged to date is \$439,945.48. Calvary's pastor is John G. Armistead.

Life gives back what we put into it — with interest.

We wouldn't mind the meek inheriting the earth if we could be sure they would stay meek after they get it. — Greencastle (Pa.) Echo-Pilot

Revival Dates

Swiftwater Church (Washington Association): March 3-9; Ron Tyndall, associate pastor, FBC, Greenville, preacher; Ronnie Whitlock of Calvary, Greenville, song leader; music to be provided by Donna Jones and Sandra Lee; Walter Simmons, pastor; services at 7 p.m.

Highland Church, Vicksburg; Feb. 29-March 2; Buddy and Kathy Mathis from New Orleans Seminary, guest evangelists; Ray Ming, pastor.

Friendship Church, Tutwiler; March 3, 4, 5; at 7:30 p.m.; Billy G. Guest of Corinth Church, Magee, guest speaker; James T. Woods, pastor.

Eastside Church, 1464 Patterson Dr., Pearl; March 2-7; John Hull, full-time evangelist, Marietta, GA, evangelist; David McArthur, full-time music evangelist, Lacey's Spring, AL, music evangelist; services Sunday, regular time, 7:30 week nights, Howard Benton, pastor.

Swor's Sister Dies In Fire

Mrs. Hattie A. Mangum, 79, sister of Chester Swor, perished in a fire in her home at 900 Whitworth, Jackson, Feb. 19.

Services were Wednesday, Feb. 20, from Wright and Ferguson. Burial was in the Clinton cemetery. Mrs. Mangum was a member of Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson.

Survivors in addition to her brother include a daughter, Mrs. Clarence (Elsie) Gunter of Garland, Tex., and a sister-in-law, Mrs. J. O. Swor of Mobile, Ala.

Mrs. Mangum, a native of Mize, Miss., was a graduate of Mt. Olive High School. She attended Mississippi Southern, and taught school for several years. Since 1966 she had been director of resident activities in Inglewood Manor Nursing Home, Jackson.

March 'Missions Madness Youth Rally Is Set

Clay, Lowndes, and Oktibbeha Associations are cooperating to promote a Golden Triangle Baptist Youth Rally, Saturday, March 22, on the campus of Mississippi State University.

Committees from the BSU at MSU are spearheading the planning. The rally, for grades 7-12 and college students, will have supervised "fun olympics" from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with a Dutch treat hotdog lunch.

An inspirational rally and awarding of team trophies have been set for 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Churches will register participating youths in teams of ten and any fraction thereof, at registration of \$20 per team (\$2 per person) by March 18.

"Missions Madness" T-shirts will be on sale at the rally for \$4.50. Any earnings for this event are to go to student mission projects. For more information, contact "Mission Contact," by J. C. Mitchell, director of missions for the three-county area.

SCRAPBOOK

My Father's The King

When I think of the millions of people on Earth
and I think of their wealth and all they are worth
I feel insignificant and terribly small and I'm
tempted to wonder if God knows me at all.

Then I read in His Word of the grass of the fields
The lilies He clothes and the sparrows He shields
How the hairs on our heads are numbered to Him
and He'll never forsake us though the way may grow dim.

He loved me enough that He gave his own Son
He died on the cross for things I have done
He said in His Word He'd supply all my needs,
Give me life more abundant if I'd plant the seeds.

So now I come boldly to the throne of His grace
For I know that I, even I, have a place
and through my whole being His promises ring
I just want to shout it: "MY FATHER'S THE KING!"

—Ruth Norsworthy Crager, State Line

The Weep Of The Willow

"I've seen the willow weep and her
wind blown branches sweep while her
tears fell to seep back to her rooted
feet.

"I've heard the willow weep and her
limbs sway and creak, her wind blown
branches leap, as though in an effort to
speak.

"I've smelled the willows' weep
washed by rain into puddles deep
stirring odors fresh and sweet from the
ground, with air to meet.

"I've touched the willow's weep,
the dropping of her tears I repeat as I
compare myself frail and weak; our
loneliness together is complete.

"I've tasted the willow's weep
the nectar from the body's meat that falls
in pollen and vapor sheets while I used
her shade for a seat.

—B. A. Roberts
Biloxi

Sharing

God help me in a special way
to plan and regiment my day
to delegate and allocate to others if I
may

to even somehow relegate
some tasks they may enjoy to do.
There may be friends just waiting who
could take another task or two
and turn our work to play!
—Valerie B. Howell,
Ripley

So Let Me Rest

A glorious message awaits:
A simple faith may claim
The Savior, Lord, and Master
—B. A. Roberts

The faithless may walk to him
and find him in the crowd.
Accept his tender, calming love,
And enter into rest.
—Roxie Barton Jones, Steens

His Majesty

As I sat under the oak, my eyes
Perchance glanced up to the skies
And through the leaves I could feel
The great majesty of my Father — so
real.

His power and love beamed down
Upon my face, with a rejuvenating
Force of love, care, sympathy, and
grace.

My stature dwarfed by the tree,
And the tree dwarfed by all creation.

Indeed, Father, how great thou art!
—Jimmy Dale Williams,
Mathiston

A man says "This is my farm." Is
it a few years ago he body will have
mouldered into the same elements as
the soil, and "whose then shall these
things be?" — John G. Alber

Staff Changes

Tommy Foster, Jr. has assumed the position of minister of music and youth at Noxapater Church, Noxapater. He moved from North Calvary Church, Philadelphia, where he was minister of music and youth since September 1978. He is a native of Louisville, and has attended Northeast Mississippi Junior College, and the University of Southern Mississippi. Gowan Ellis is the pastor.



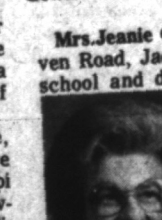
Foster is a native of Louisville, and has attended Northeast Mississippi Junior College, and the University of Southern Mississippi. Gowan Ellis is the pastor.

Jimmy Dale Sartain has accepted a call to Woodlawn Church, Vicksburg, as minister of education and director of the bus ministry.



He was born in Water Valley, and holds a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Delta State University and a Master of Religious Education degree from New Orleans Seminary.

Previously he served as interim pastor at Hopewell Church in Yalobusha County. Sartain and wife, Betty O'Neill Sartain, have one child, Michael, 8.



Mrs. Jeanie Grayson, 6023 Woodhaven Road, Jackson, is the new pre-school and day care director for Ridgecrest Church, Jackson, effective March 1. She was born at Sumrall and is a graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi.

Mrs. Grayson for the past 13 years was a kindergarten teacher at Broadmoor Church, Jackson. Prior to that she had served as a school teacher, church secretary, and Lauderdale Baptist Association secretary. Currently she is president of Jackson Association for Children Under Six. She and her husband Claiborne have two children. Julius Thompson is the Ridgecrest pastor.

Liberty Church, Rankin County, has called Gary Smith as music and youth director. He and his wife Jill of Pearl were welcomed to Liberty with a fellowship and a pouncing on Feb. 10.

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Display Of Wood Carvings Leads To Christian Witness

KYOTO, Japan — Witnessing in an art gallery may not be a typical missionary activity. But Southern Baptist missionaries in Japan discovered that setting can be an ideal place to talk about Jesus.

It was the display though — 25 woodcarvings on religious themes — that really made the gallery conducive to witnessing. People came to see the carvings and ended up talking with Japanese Baptists and missionaries like Evelyn Owen, director of Kyoto Friendship House, which sponsored the showing.

"Some days the gallery was crowded, but the slower times were actually more fruitful for witness," said Miss Owen. "One old man believed in the resurrection and seemed to want to give his heart to Jesus, but was so afraid — to attend any Christian meeting, or even take a piece of Christian literature. At the gallery, he talked and listened for two days about the Lord."

The carvings were by Rudolf Kuyten, a United Church of Christ missionary in Japan. The son of an artist, Kuyten rejected an art career to become a missionary. But about 10 years ago, he said, the Lord gave him the gift of woodcarving. Since then he has been carving "beautiful and striking works on gospel themes," says Miss Owen.

Italians Take Charge Of Baptist Work At Rivoli

Rivoli, Italy — During 1980 the final transfer of administration of the Filadelfia Centre here from the Baptist Mission to the Baptist Union of Italy will be effected. This will conclude the process that began in May, 1978, when the Union agreed to accept responsibility for the work of the Centre.

Paolo Spanu has already assumed the position as general director along with his responsibility as director of the department of theology. Southern Baptist missionary Ben Lawton, longtime leader of the Rivoli programs, is now serving as administrator of the property for the Foreign Mission Board.

"This development is in accord with Board policy," said Lawton, "to transfer program responsibility to the na-

tional union whenever desirable." The decision was partly influenced by legal requirements of the Italian government, but Italian Baptists recognize the excellent potential for witness and service in the facilities and varied work at Rivoli. Ownership of the property will continue to be held by the Foreign Mission Board.

Currently, the five activities of Filadelfia Centre are: (1) an international linguistic lyceum or private high school with government recognition; (2) a kindergarten; (3) an international language institute with afternoon and evening classes primarily for adults; (4) a department of theology, including preparatory classes and correspondence courses; (5) a conference center with kitchen, dining room, and meeting facilities.

Devotional

Secret Perils

By Donald O'Quin, Pastor, First, Charleston

Jesus was a master of the art of using simple, easy to understand illustrations in His enforcement of truth. In Matthew 6:19, for example, He says, "Beware of storing up for yourselves treasures . . . where moth and rust destroy . . ." Here, in dealing with the ways treasures can be lost, He suggested that the moth and the rust represent the more secret, subtle, and insidious perils which eat away slowly and silently at our treasures. What truths do the conjunction of these consumers suggest?

The moth. Looking beautiful and innocent as it flits about in the twilight of the day, the moth seems a little, harmless, innocent creature; yet what destruction it can cause. It can hide and burrow among costly garments and riddle them with holes until they are only fit to be burned. The moth can stand for what we call little sins. But there is no such thing as a little sin. For sin, no matter how minute we think it is, is sin. Seemingly harmless and innocent thoughts, imaginations, and desires are heedlessly admitted into the inner life and gradually corrupt and consume one's moral and spiritual strength.

The rust. Without doubt, rust is the symbol of neglect. Tools and utensils never rust if kept clean and in constant use. The use of talents can be lost through neglect. Negligence is just as destructive as rust and must be guarded against. To neglect God's great salvation is to be in peril of being eternally lost.

Jesus prefaced his warning against the moth and the rust with the exclamation "Beware." May He enable us to be ever on our guard against the deadly peril of both. Moth and rust may seem harmless, and therein lies their subtle and most deadly danger. Let us beware of giving shelter to anything, no matter how innocent looking, that would consume us.



Drawn Together

"Drawn Together" is a contemporary musical group which seeks to witness for Jesus Christ through the medium of music. Using the songs of Bill Cates, Benny Hester, Jamie Owens Collins, and the Imperials, as well as original music by group members, "Drawn Together" presents the Christian message in a positive, dynamic manner. Members of the group pictured are (from left to right) Chris Burgin, vocalist, Caledonia; Dolores Holliman, vocalist, Caledonia; Mike Gregory, sound technician, Carthage; Jan Gregory, road secretary, Starkville; Steve English, drums, Vicksburg; Beth Cook, vocalist, Southaven; Doug Houston, keyboard, Starkville; and Mark Gregory, guitar, Starkville. "Drawn Together" is available for all types of Christian concerts. Booking information is available from the Baptist Student Union, Box BU, Mississippi State, Ms. 39762. The group is a ministry of the BSU at Mississippi State University.

Malaria Patient Is Recovering

Recovering

RICHMOND, Va. (BP) — Milford Doss, Jr., of Somerset, Ky., is listed in satisfactory condition by the Veterans Administration Hospital, Lexington, Ky., and his wife says that she sees daily improvement in her husband's condition.

Doss, a Baptist layman, was treated by cerebral malaria at the University of Kentucky Hospital, Lexington, after returning Jan. 18 from volunteer evangelistic efforts in Nigeria. After the malaria had been successfully treated Doss was transferred Feb. 8 to the Veterans Hospital to continue treatment for pneumonia.

Building Bridges Is Theme Of Two Student Weeks

NA JVILLE — Bible studies, daily worship services, a variety of seminars and many other opportunities await college students attending Student Conferences at Gorieta and Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Centers this summer.

Sponsored by National Student Ministries of the Sunday School Board, the Gorieta conference will be held Aug. 9-15, and the Ridgecrest conference, Aug. 16-22.

Couple Ministers On Long Island

By Erich Bridges

EAST HAMPTON, N. Y. — East Hampton is a classy town.

Flung about as far out on Long Island as you can go without dropping into the Atlantic, the village boasts some of the most affluent residents in the nation. Celebrities like Walter Cronkite, Barbra Streisand, Henry Ford II and Farrah Fawcett (plus a host of lesser known but equally rich New Yorkers) maintain summer residences there that range from fashionably contemporary beach houses to mansions with golf course-like front lawns.

No doubt about it; if you get a place in East Hampton, you have "arrived." Driving through the tree-lined downtown streets, you notice that even the little shops and stores exude a quiet elegance. That is, until you spot the old army barracks on Cedar Street.

The barracks isn't exactly attractive. It dates from World War Two but looks old and tired enough to be a relic of the Crusades. There's something special about this barracks, however: it is a house of prayer — Cedar Street Baptist Chapel.

On Sundays you'll find ten to twenty folks worshipping together at Cedar Street Chapel, led by young Fred Jones, 26, a tall, mustachioed South Carolina native, arrived in East Hampton in early June with wife Sara to pastor the small congregation.

The Jones are volunteering in Mission Service Corps, the Southern Baptist plan to place 5000 volunteers on

foreign and home mission fields for one or two years of service.

They were desperately needed in East Hampton. In addition to the conspicuously rich, more than 25,000 "regular folks" live in the township. Cedar Street Chapel is the only Southern Baptist church in the area, and one of the few evangelical churches in eastern Long Island.

Without a pastor for more than a year, and lacking funds to support one, the chapel was struggling for survival.

Bud Forrester, director of missions for the Hebron Baptist Association in north Georgia, heard about the Cedar Street congregation in 1978, and since Georgia and New York are "sister states" in missions, he presented Cedar Street's need to churches in Hebron Association earlier this year.

Individuals in churches all over the association responded enthusiastically by giving over and above their regular offerings and Cooperative Program gifts to finance a pastor for the chapel. Further, the churches agreed to consider continuing that support through their budgets for the 1979-1980 year, also on an "over and above" basis.

"It was almost a miracle," recalls Forrester. "The response was beyond my wildest dreams. We're just a small association of rural churches, but our people were looking for something to be involved with personally. For the first time in twelve years, we've met and surpassed our association missions budget goal."

Forrester contacted Sara Jones (a Bowman, Georgia native and graduate of Tift College) in Ft. Worth, where she and husband Fred were attending Southwestern Baptist Seminary. They both agreed to go to New York as Mission Service Corps volunteers supported by Hebron Association, and within a month of their graduation in May, they were in East Hampton.

In the months since, the Joneses have developed a very personal ministry with Long Islanders. Example: a woman in the Cedar Street congregation stricken with multiple sclerosis and no longer able to attend services is virtually homebound. Sara visited her daily for several months, helping her with muscle exercises and physical therapy.

"Ministry is people working together," says Fred. "Our first task is to make friends, prove to people that we care, and gain their confidence. Then we'll begin to grow together spiritually, and this community will see Christ in us."

In addition to building leaders, discipling church members and strengthening the education program at Cedar Street Chapel, the Joneses hope to start a daycare program and senior adult fellowship.

New York needs more men and women like the Joneses, and associations like Hebron, to get involved personally with state missions. — Reprinted from "Metropolitan N. Y. Baptist."

Bible Book Series

Paul's Hearing Before The Sanhedrin

By J. Roy McComb
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Acts 22:23-35

Last week's lesson ended with Paul being taken by the Roman soldiers into the barracks. Upon arrival in the barracks the centurion is about to have Paul flogged. The centurion is going to have Paul beaten in order to loosen his tongue so that he will explain to him why the Jews are in such an uproar.

I. Paul Delivered Through Roman Law (Acts 22:23-30)

As Paul is about to be flogged by order of the Roman centurion, he speaks to the centurion, advising him that he is a Roman citizen. According to Roman law a Roman citizen could not be imprisoned, chained, or flogged without a proper hearing and found guilty properly. For all of the weakness of the Roman Empire, one of its strengths was its attention to law.

The knowledge that Paul is a Roman citizen greatly concerns the centurion and he refers this information to the commander. The commander of the Roman soldiers comes to Paul to inquire if he is indeed a Roman citizen. When he finds that Paul is a Roman citizen by birth, he is quite concerned. The commander realizes that he has treated Paul, the Roman citizen, improperly. He must allow this Roman citizen an opportunity to face his accusers and let them accuse him in a formal fashion. The accused must be allowed, according to Roman law, an opportunity to defend himself. The only alternative open to the commander is for him to assemble the Sanhedrin. This he does.

II. Paul's Defense Before The Sanhedrin (Acts 22:31-11)

Paul's central theme in his defense is stated in verse one. He says that he has fulfilled his duty to God in all good conscience to his day. By this he is indicating that what he has done has been under the commandment of God. Some look at these words as referring to the entirety of Paul's life. However, it seems that Paul's statement refers only to his life since his conversion. Paul is not on trial for being an ideal Jew but for being an ideal Christian. He is defending his Christian conduct and attitude. For this statement, the high priest asks what he is to do with

mouth. Paul is not aware that it is the high priest who has given the order so he rebukes him rather severely. When he discovers that it is the high priest, he apologizes. In his incident you have another example of how Paul obeyed Jewish regulations without violating Christian principles.

The strategy of Paul, beginning in verse six, is to divide the Sanhedrin. He has already noticed that there are both Pharisees and Sadducees sitting in the council. Paul knows of the marked difference between them concerning several issues and particularly concerning the resurrection. Paul tells the Sanhedrin that he is a Pharisee who lives in the hope of the resurrection of the dead. When the Pharisees on the council hear this they are inclined to support Paul's statement concerning the resurrection. The Sadducees are inclined to deny the resurrection, so an argument breaks out within the Sanhedrin over the resurrection of the dead.

The disagreement between the Pharisees and the Sadducees becomes so violent that the commander is afraid Paul, a Roman citizen, may be injured or even killed. He orders the troops to take Paul by force from the Sanhedrin, if necessary, and take him to the barracks again. When Paul is safe in the barracks later that night the Lord comes to him and encourages him by saying that not only should he testify to the Lord in Jerusalem but also in Rome.

III. Paul's Deliverance From The Plot To Kill Him (Acts 23:12-32)

Paul has been kept in the barracks by the Roman soldiers. The day following the meeting of the Sanhedrin a group of men bind themselves together in a note, to kill Paul. They conspire with the chief priest and the elders to have the Roman commander bring Paul back to the Sanhedrin on the pretense of needing more accurate information. The plan is to kill Paul along the way, from ambush. Fortunately Paul's nephew hears the plot and reports it to Paul. Paul then has the message reported to the commander. The Roman commander is not about to allow a prisoner of his to be taken by a group of Jews and murdered. In return, he will give the

hand of God protecting and delivering the apostle Paul in accordance with God's word to Paul in Verse 11.

IV. Paul's Departure To Caesarea (Acts 23:33-35)

Under cover of night the Roman commander sends Paul from Jerusalem to Caesarea. He sends 200 soldiers, 70 horsemen, and 200 spearmen to go to Caesarea. (He did not intend for Paul to be taken from him.)

He also sends a letter to Governor Felix explaining Paul's situation and circumstances. It is interesting to read the letter in verses 27-30. The Roman commander changed things around a bit. He says that he came to Paul's rescue because he learned that he was a Roman citizen. Obviously he did not know that Paul was a Roman citizen until after he had rescued him. He certainly wants to make himself look good in the eyes of Governor Felix. That notwithstanding however, he is being used of God, even if he doesn't know it, to transfer Paul on his way to his destiny, Rome.

Upon arriving in Caesarea the governor learns that Paul is from Cilicia. He tells Paul that he will hear his case once Paul's accusers arrive. Then he orders that Paul be kept under guard in Herod's palace.

WORDS OF WISDOM — "True wisdom is the ability to learn from other people's experiences. Therefore, Dr. Charles Schaefer, a child psychologist and author of the article 'Raising Children by Old-Fashioned Parent Sense,' asked this question of 50 parents who had successfully reared children: 'Based upon your personal experiences with your own children, what is the best advice you could give new parents about raising children?' The most frequent parental responses were: (1) Love abundantly; (2) Discipline constructively; (3) Be clear, consistent and authoritative; (4) Punish in private; (5) Be flexible, reasonable and understanding; (6) Discourage continued dependency; (7) Spend time together; (8) Develop mutual respect; (9) Really listen; and (10) Tend to personal and marital needs." (Parents, 1980)

Life and Work Lesson

The Way Of Salvation

By Tommy Tutor, Pastor
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Acts 16:16, 19, 23-34

The first European conflict came to Christianity because of the conversion of a slave girl. The accusers are Gentile for the first time. Heretofore the opposition had come from the Jewish community. Also, the charges against Paul and Silas are different. First, they are accused of being Jewish troublemakers. And, secondly, they are accused of teaching customs contrary to their Roman customs. These are not charges of religious doctrine, but are charges of crimes against the law and customs of Philippi.

I. The Way of Salvation Projects Value In All People (Acts 16, 19).

First the word "divination" in verse 16 has special meaning. Plutarch (A.D. 50-100) noted that the term *Pathones* was applied to ventriloquists. From *Pathones* comes the word *python* translated here divination. The idea here seems to be that she could give oracles to guide men about the future.

Another word of interest is "sooth-saying." This word is kin to *malismal* which means to be mad. The idea implied is that the slave-girl was mad. Her owners had taken advantage of her sickness for monetary gain. The ancient word has a queer respect for mad people; they said the gods had taken away their wits to put the mind of the gods into them (Barclay, p. 134).

Paul and Silas saw in this slave girl the possibilities of a child of God. In verse 18 by the powers of God she is released from her prison of disease. The contrast of the value of human life is clearly seen. Verse 19 states the owners' value of her. To them she was a source of income, but to Paul and Silas she was a candidate for heaven. The worldly view sees only the material gain. This blots out the higher value of life. Men's value of life is often determined by the money bag. Judas and Demetrius of Ephesus are examples of this view.

Surely "the love of money" is still the root of evil. The conflict of value system resulted in Paul and Silas being arrested and brought to the marketplace (agora) before the magistrate. Vested interest had been threatened and the reaction was severe. They were forcibly dragged before the officer of the law. The worldly view of the value of life is clearly seen.

tacked without paying a price.
II. The Way of Salvation Portrays Power For The Believer. (Acts 16:23-25).

The verdict of Paul and Silas from the magistrate was guilty. The punishment was thirty-nine stripes from the Roman "cat of nine tails." And, secondly, they were imprisoned in the inner prison and their feet fastened in the stocks. In verse 25, power for courage and inner strength is revealed. These men were imprisoned because they had used the power of the gospel, not just proclaimed it. Now God is using the same power to preserve them.

Tertullian noted that nothing the limb feels in the stocks, when the mind is in heaven. Faith must be in God, not men. Faith also must determine attitude, not circumstance. So, Paul and Silas simply turn this situation into an experience of worship. They blend together petition and praise, and the whole prison company is attracted. The heart of this worship experience was thanksgiving. This attitude produced an atmosphere of the presence and power of God.

But in addition to preservation, the power of God gave protection to these believers. God used an earthquake to release the prisoners. He had used an angel to free Peter from prison, but now God uses another type of miracle. The prisoners both heard the praying and singing in worship and saw the power of God at work. The earthquake opened the doors, and released the chains from the prisoners.

III. The Way of Salvation Frees and Saves Life. (Acts 16:26-34).

Jesus' purpose on the earth was to seek and to save life which was lost. This Philippian jailer had been charged with the custody of these prisoners. If he failed to keep them in custody, he would pay possibly with his own life. However, with the doors open and the chains loosed, the prisoners did not escape. This, too, was a part of the miracle. All were set free. Yet none tried to escape.

The jailer being awakened saw the prison open. He drew his sword to commit suicide even as Brutus had done near here. The Stoics had made suicide popular as a way of escape from trouble. This worldly philosophy has been around since King Saul killed himself. However, this is the desire of rushing men into self-

destruction. One's reaction in crisis reflects his faith and master. The jailer was faced with a crisis. His reaction was the right one. "What must I do to be saved?" asked the jailer.

While we do not know completely what the question meant to the jailer, Paul used it to share the demands of Christ. The question asked by the jailer is one all persons should ask. If Paul's response was valid for the jailer, it is valid for all. There is only one requirement for salvation — believing in the Lord Jesus.

Indeed, the jailer's entire family seems to have been saved. The phrase "and your household" is connected with both "believe" and "be saved." Thus, the requirement for salvation was the same for both the jailer and his family. If his family believed, they too would be saved. This is what evidently occurred, because all were baptized.

What does belief in Christ mean? In the New Testament belief is an active commitment of life rather than just a rational acceptance of facts in the mind. The apostle John always uses the verb form of believe. Believing is personal — calling forth personal trust in and commitment to another person, Jesus Christ.

The only barrier to the gospel is failing to believe, to trust, one's self to Jesus Christ. "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him" (John 3:36). The gospel can break through all the barriers.

The pagan jailer responded in faith, and his newfound faith issued forth into acts of kindness toward his brothers in Christ. Belief is not a "period" in one's life. Rather, it is a "comma," for there is more to come. Belief will continue to issue forth freedom and ultimately the saving of one's life eternally.

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